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Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) and Pend Oreille County PUD Donate Surplus Computer Equipment to Local School

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Who: Representatives from BPA, Pend Oreille County PUD, schools, and elected officials.

What: BPA and Pend Oreille County PUD will deliver late model surplus computer equipment to the Newport High School, Newport, Washington.

When: Monday, April 12, 1999.

Where: Newport High School, 1400 West 5th, Newport, Washington at 9:00 a.m.

Significance: As a federal agency, BPA is helping the administration fulfill the mandate of Executive Order 12999, *Education Technology: Ensuring Opportunity for All Children in the Next Century*. The Executive Order allows federal agencies to transfer surplus computers and related peripheral tools (e.g. printers, monitors, etc.) to schools and nonprofit educational organizations. BPA is a self-financed agency. Since BPA purchased computers with revenue generated from electricity sales to its utility customers, it wants to transfer computers to schools in its utility customers' service areas. In essence, that makes Pend Oreille County PUD BPA's partner in this effort. Schools were selected based upon their application to the agency through their utility.

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